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OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

The following resolution of the Government of India, regarding the Universal and International Exhibition to be held at Brussels, in the year 1910, is republished for general information:—

By Order,
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

COMMERCIAL EXHIBITION.

RESOLUTION.

Calcutta, the 6th January 1908.

The following Notification of the Universal and International Exhibition to be held at Brussels in the year 1910 is published for general information. The Government of India have decided not to participate in the Exhibition.

KINGDOM OF BELGIUM.

Brussels Universal and International Exhibition organised for 1910 under the High Patronage of His Majesty the King of the Belgians and the Honorary Presidency of His Royal Highness Prince Albert of Belgium.

APPEAL TO EXHIBITORS.

Brussels, October 30th 1907.

A Universal and International Exhibition will open at Brussels in the month of April 1910, and will last for at least six months.

The four Universal and International Exhibitions previously held in Belgium, namely at Antwerp in 1885 and in 1894, at Brussels in 1897, and at Liege in 1905, proved eminently successful, and there is every reason to hope that their success will be equalled and even surpassed by the World's Fair now under organisation in the Capital of Belgium. The intended Exhibition will include, as to its chief divisions, the following Groups:—

- I—Fine Arts.
- II—Education.
- III—Instruments and general methods connected with Letters, Science and Arts.
- IV—Plant and general methods connected with Machinery.
- V—Electricity.
- VI—Civil Engineering.—Means of Transport.
- VII—Agriculture.
- VIII—Horticulture and Arboriculture.
- IX—Forests.—Shooting.—Hunting.—Fishing.—Fruit gathering.
- X—Articles of food.
- XI—Mines.—Metallurgy.
- XII—Decoratation and furnishing of Public Buildings and private Houses.
- XIII—Yarns, Woven Fabrics, Weaving Apparel.
- XIV—Chemical Industry.
- XV—Miscellaneous Industries.
- XVI—Social Economy.
- XVII—Public Health.—Charitable Institutions.
- XVIII—Practical Education.—Economic Institutions.—Female Handicraft.
- XIX—Trade.—Colonisation.
- XX—Land and Sea Forces.
- XXI—Sports.
- XXII—Congresses and Conferences.

Brussels is extending day by day and the public Authorities do everything in their power to justify the name which it already has of being one of the finest Capitals of Europe.

Only recently its territory has been considerably added to by the incorporation of a large amount of land running alongside the Bois de la Cambre, the favorite resort of the Brussels people.

On this marvellously situated spot covering, as it does, more than 200 acres, halls and pavilions will be erected, ready to accommodate productions from all over the world.

Broad tree-set avenues will connect the Avenue Louise with the entrance of the Exhibition, while tramway lines will ensure communication with all the suburban districts of the City.

How delightful it will be for the visitors, after spending the greater part of the day in thoroughly going over the galleries, to be able to enjoy from the terraces, in the cool of fine summer evenings, the glorious scenery of the sunset lighting up in crimson the beautiful foliage of the grand trees of the forest—a magnificent frame encircling the vast arena where the workers of the whole world will soon gather to wrestle with each other in a courteous and peaceful manner.

The Exhibition grounds will be connected with the Belgian State Railways.

The Principal Palace as well as the Halls of the Exhibition will be built of iron and covered with hard materials; the Palace will be surrounded by a vast Park containing numerous attractions.

Adopting the idea suggested by the magnificent displays witnessed at Turin and Milan, the organisers contemplate the creation of an international section of *Modern Decorative Art*.

The *Machinery Hall* will have, annexed to it, a working gallery where numerous workshops will continually be in operation under the eyes of the public. Special attention will be paid to the installation of a compartment of *small tools* and of motors for performing *work at home*.

A special Palace may be reserved for *Retrospective and Modern Exhibitions of Lighting appliances* of every description.

As was done at the Liege Exhibition in 1905, *Female Arts and Industries* will be the subject of a special organisation.

With the view of giving effect to the resolutions adopted at the Congress of the World's Expansion held at Mons in 1905, the Executive Committee will make it a point of arranging Groups in connection with Trade and Colonisation.

The programme will also include special exhibitions, *temporary Agricultural and Horticultural Shows, Congresses, Conferences, Artistic Fetes and Competitions* of all kinds, so as to afford visitors every possible attraction.

Further, the Executive Committee will give their patronage to the formation of a *Commercial Bureau* on the premises, which besides affording the exhibitor a means of protection of his interests at the Exhibition, will at the same time be a source of diffusion of his industry.

The *Commercial Bureau* will centralise all information concerning the industries represented; it will place Engineers at the disposal of such visitors as may wish to be guided over the Exhibition and it will endeavour, in every possible way, to promote the development of commercial intercourse between the countries gathered together at this World's Fair.

The necessary measures will be taken for *protecting* in Belgium patentable *inventions*, industrial designs or models, and manufacturing or trade marks appearing at the Exhibition.

The Government will grant on the State Railways *free transport* of *Belgium products* returning from the Exhibition.

The Exhibition will be treated as an *actual bonded warehouse*, foreign goods consigned to the Exhibition being allowed *provisional duty-free importation*, subject to being afterwards re-exported.

The general Regulations, the classification of exhibits and conditions of admission will very shortly be settled; a plan has already been adopted consisting in dividing the goods according to National Compartment, *viz.*, grouping together the works and productions of each country combined with a system of general classification.

The price for space will include the expenses of general decoration and handling charges; exhibitors will thus be enabled to ascertain beforehand the exact outlay incumbent upon them.

A *Lottery* will be organised under the authority and supervision of the Government; the prizes will be purchased from amongst the exhibits.

An *International Jury*, appointed with the approbation of the Government, will undertake the allotment of awards.

The *Belgian Government* have appointed a Commissioner General to act as their Delegate to the Executive Committee of the Exhibition and Foreign Sections, and a Commission will be instituted for the purpose of inducing Belgian producers to concur, and of furthering their participation.

The Exhibition is placed under the *High Patronage of His Majesty the King of the Belgians* in the *Honorary Presidency of H. R. H. Prince Albert of Belgium*.

The support already secured the effective co-operation of the Belgian Government as well as the support of the City of Brussels.

Rejoicings or profits realised by the undertaking are to be applied to the organisation of *Fetes* and to the support of an attractive character so as to draw people to the Exhibition and to the Capital, if any, will be devoted to a *Fund of Public Utility*.

The chief object of the organisers is to promote and develop international dealings, namely to extend outlets for *Industry*, to open up broader fields of action for *Trade*, and moreover to increase and multiply the *commercial relations* between all Nations.

The Executive Committee therefore warmly appeal to every Nation of the Globe, in the hope that all countries will direct their combined efforts towards collecting at Brussels a large and choice selection of exhibits in evidence of the importance attached to the pursuit of progress in every branch of human activity.

ORDERED that the foregoing papers be published in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India*, for general information, and that copies be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations named in the margin, for information.

The Government of Madras.
Do Bombay.
Do Bengal.
Do the United Provinces.
Do the Punjab.
Do Burma.
Do Eastern Bengal and Assam.
The Hon'ble the Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces.
The Chief Commissioner of Coorg.

Ordered, also, that a copy be forwarded to the Chief Commissioner of Ajmer-Merwara, and the Honourable the Agent to the Governor-General and Chief Commissioner, North-West Frontier Province, for information, and to the Foreign Department, for information and communication to Native States.

Ordered, also, that a copy be forwarded to all Chambers of Commerce, for information.

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

READ—

Government Proceedings No. G. 2070-107—G. F. 142 of 03-4, dated the 13th October 1904, directing that Acts, Regulations, Rules and other matters published in the official Gazette, Departmental and State Administration Reports, be made available for sale to the public.

2. Government Proceedings No. G. 5078-9—G. M. 100-06-11, dated 9th February 1907, issuing further instructions in regard to the sale of official publications to the public, and directing that such publications be priced in accordance with the scale prescribed in the Government Proceedings referred to above.

No. G. 4320-61—G. M. 174-07-4, dated Bangalore, 24th January 1908.

ORDER THEREON.—Government are pleased to direct that, in addition to the official publications mentioned above, all orders placed at the disposal of the Press be made available for sale to the public. The Superintendent of the Government Press and Compiler of the *Mysore Gazette*, will see that, as soon as the list of papers placed at the disposal of the Press is sent for publication in Gazette, the orders included therein are priced according to the rates prescribed in the Government Order of the 13th October 1904 and that the list is notified in the Gazette with the price noted against each order.

2. Government further direct that important orders of general interest be translated into Kanarese and printed in the *Mysore Gazette* and that copies thereof be made available for sale to the public at prices fixed as above. The Secretaries in the several Departments will indicate when orders are decided to be placed at the disposal of the Press, what orders should be translated into Kanarese and take steps to have the same translated and printed.

3. The Superintendent of the Government Press will be informed when orders are sent to him to be printed how many printed copies of each are required. The other Secretariats are requested to send without delay to the General and Revenue Secretariat a duly certified copy of every order placed at the disposal of the Press, so as to facilitate the timely preparation of a list of such papers for publication in the Gazette, translations of such of the orders as are selected for translation being sent direct to the Compiler of the Gazette for publication.

4. As in the case of other official publications, the sale of these orders shall be entrusted to the Curator, Government Central Book Depot. He will include the financial result of the arrangements ordered in paras 1 and 2 above in the report he has to submit to Govt. under para 1 of Government Proceedings No. G. 5078—G. M. 100-06-11, dated the 9th February 1907.

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